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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. HEFLEY].

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
September 24, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable JOEL HEFLEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Commissioner Robert A. Watson, national commander, the Salvation Army, Alexandria, VA, offered the following prayer:

Let us all pray. Sovereign Lord, You invite Your children to come to You in prayer, so we do so just now in gratitude and faith.

You are the Creator, Preserver, and Governor of all things. We acknowledge and worship You today as "Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." And when we address You as "Our Father," we acknowledge that we are brothers and sisters. Help us to care for each other and for those around us.

We thank You for the gifts of mind and heart which the Members of this House bring to their awesome task. Grant them sensitivity to the needs of the people they represent and the moral courage to stand for that which is right, honorable, and just.

In Your holy name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the Chair's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 5, rule I, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from Connecticut [Ms. DELAURO] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. DELAURO led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. McDevitt, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 111. An act to provide for the conveyance of a parcel of unused agricultural land in Dos Palos, California, to the Dos Palos Ag Boosters for use as a farm school.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I have a preferential motion at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. MILLER of California moves that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to adjourn offered by the gentleman from California [Mr. MILLER].

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 59, nays 342, not voting 32, as follows:

[Roll No. 426]

YEAS—59

Allen	Furse	Miller (CA)
Andrews	Gejdenson	Mink
Barrett (WI)	Gephardt	Murtha
Becerra	Goode	Obey
Berry	Harman	Olver
Blumenauer	Hoyer	Owens
Bonior	Jefferson	Pallone
Brown (OH)	Johnson (WI)	Pelosi
Conyers	Kaptur	Sawyer
Coyne	Kennelly	Scott
Davis (FL)	Kilpatrick	Slaughter
DeFazio	Kind (WI)	Spratt
Delahunt	Levin	Strickland
DeLauro	Lewis (GA)	Stupak
Deutsch	Lowe	Tierney
Doggett	Maloney (CT)	Turner
Farr	Martinez	Vento
Fattah	McDade	Waxman
Fazio	McDermott	Wexler
Filner	McNulty	

NAYS—342

Abercrombie	Ballenger	Bereuter
Ackerman	Barcia	Berman
Aderholt	Barr	Bilbray
Archer	Barrett (NE)	Billirakis
Armey	Bartlett	Bishop
Bachus	Barton	Blagojevich
Baessler	Bass	Bliley
Baker	Bateman	Blunt
Baldacci	Bentsen	Boehrlert

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